

In the Claims:

Claims 1-5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (currently amended). A An isolated or recombinant nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO: 4 ~~claim 1 or 2~~.

Claim 7 (currently amended). An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 6 or 10.

Claim 8 (original). A host cell comprising the vector of claim 7.

Claim 9 (original). A process for recombinantly producing a polypeptide comprising culturing the host cell of claim 8 under conditions in which the polypeptide is expressed.

Claim 10 (new). The nucleic acid of claim 6, wherein the nucleic acid comprises nucleotides 257-1204 of SEQ ID NO: 3.

Claim 11 (new). An isolated or recombinant nucleic acid encoding amino acids 118-144 of SEQ ID NO: 4.

Claim 12 (new). The nucleic acid of claim 11, wherein the nucleic acid comprises nucleotides 608-688 of SEQ ID NO: 3.

Claim 13 (new). An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 11 or 12.

Claim 14 (new). A host cell comprising the vector of claim 13.

Claim 15 (new). A process for recombinantly producing a polypeptide comprising culturing the host cell of claim 14 under conditions in which the polypeptide is expressed.